

## Suburbs Ponder Sewer Compromise

### BUILDERS ASK \$661,000 MORE FOR HICKORY CREEK PROJECT

By BRANDON BROWN  
Staff Writer  
Lincoln and St. Joseph townships Wednesday received a proposal to finish the stalled \$1.5 million Hickory creek sewer interceptor for an extra \$661,300 and with the

original contractor. Joseph D. "Jack" Craigmile, an official from the engineers overseeing the project, revealed to officials from the two townships and other agencies the \$661,300 is an estimate based on results of

verbal agreements between the engineers and contractor. Prompt approval by local governments is necessary because the contractor earnestly desires to resume construction March 1 and finish the job by Dec. 31 "if humanly

possible," Craigmile said.

The additional \$661,300 may be met in part or in whole by federal grants, which already underwrite part of the project, Craigmile added.

As proposed, the interceptor construction would be com-

pleted under the original contract, but with major change orders allowing for use of more expensive steel pipe, instead of concrete pipe, and for a better method of supporting pipe in swampy ground.

The interceptor route would remain the same—through the swampy ground of the Hickory Creek ravine. Craigmile told the meeting yesterday that a representative of Contractor Yerington & Harris concurred the best route for the line was in the ravine bottom.

Yerington & Harris, Inc., of Benton Harbor won the 7-mile sewer job Dec. 31, 1969, with a low bid of \$1,566,726. The only other bid, from Holloway Sand & Gravel Co. of Wixom, was \$2,363,154. Yerington & Harris disputed the engineers, walked off the job April 9, 1971, with 15 per cent of it done, and sued the county to break its contract. The county offered the balance of the job last August and received bids of \$3.9 to \$4.4 million.

Thus, Craigmile said, the sum total of the Yerington & Harris original bid plus the \$661,300 falls below the only other original bid and far below rebids.

The two townships were asked by the Berrien county board of public works (BPW) to approve resolutions guaranteeing repayment of \$700,000, to finish the sewer line, if necessary.

Ernest Hauch, Lincoln township supervisor, indicated he looks favorably on the proposal. Orval Benson, St. Joseph township supervisor, indicated he seeks something in writing supporting Craigmile's report to present to his board.

Y&H won the sewer job with the original contract price of \$1.5 million. But legal, engineering and other

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TELL INTERCEPTOR PLAN: Herbert Seeder (right), chairman of Berrien county board of public works, introduces Joseph "Jack" Craigmile to tell Lincoln and St. Joseph township officials Wednesday of plan to finish construction on Hickory creek sewer interceptor to serve the two townships. Estimated cost of compromise is \$661,300. (Staff photo)

### More Trouble Brewing

#### Irish Parade Sunday Could Be Bloody

DUBLIN (AP) — Gangs of youths milled through Dublin all night, taunting police and singing in celebration of burning of the British Embassy.

The British ambassador, Sir John Peck, returned from London and remarked coolly, "I suppose we'll just have to compromise." He said he planned to see the government as soon as possible to discuss compensation for the four-story Georgian building near the center of the Irish capital.

A mob estimated at 30,000 burned out the Embassy Wednesday in retaliation for the killing last Sunday of 13 civilians in a clash with British troops in Londonderry, Northern Ireland's second largest city.

The outnumbered police made no attempt to restrain the mob as it hurled salvos of gasoline bombs and burned symbolic coffins straddled by effigies of British Prime Minister Edward Heath.

After seeing the Embassy gutted, one group moved on to storm the nearby British Passport Office. But there the police broke up the attack with a baton charge that gave several demonstrators sore heads.

A firebomb attack had been made on the Embassy Tuesday, and the 30 members of the staff had evacuated the building and removed all secret and valuable documents before the attack Wednesday. The value of the building was estimated at \$235,000.

The Irish government apologized, accepted responsibility for the damage and offered to pay full compensation.

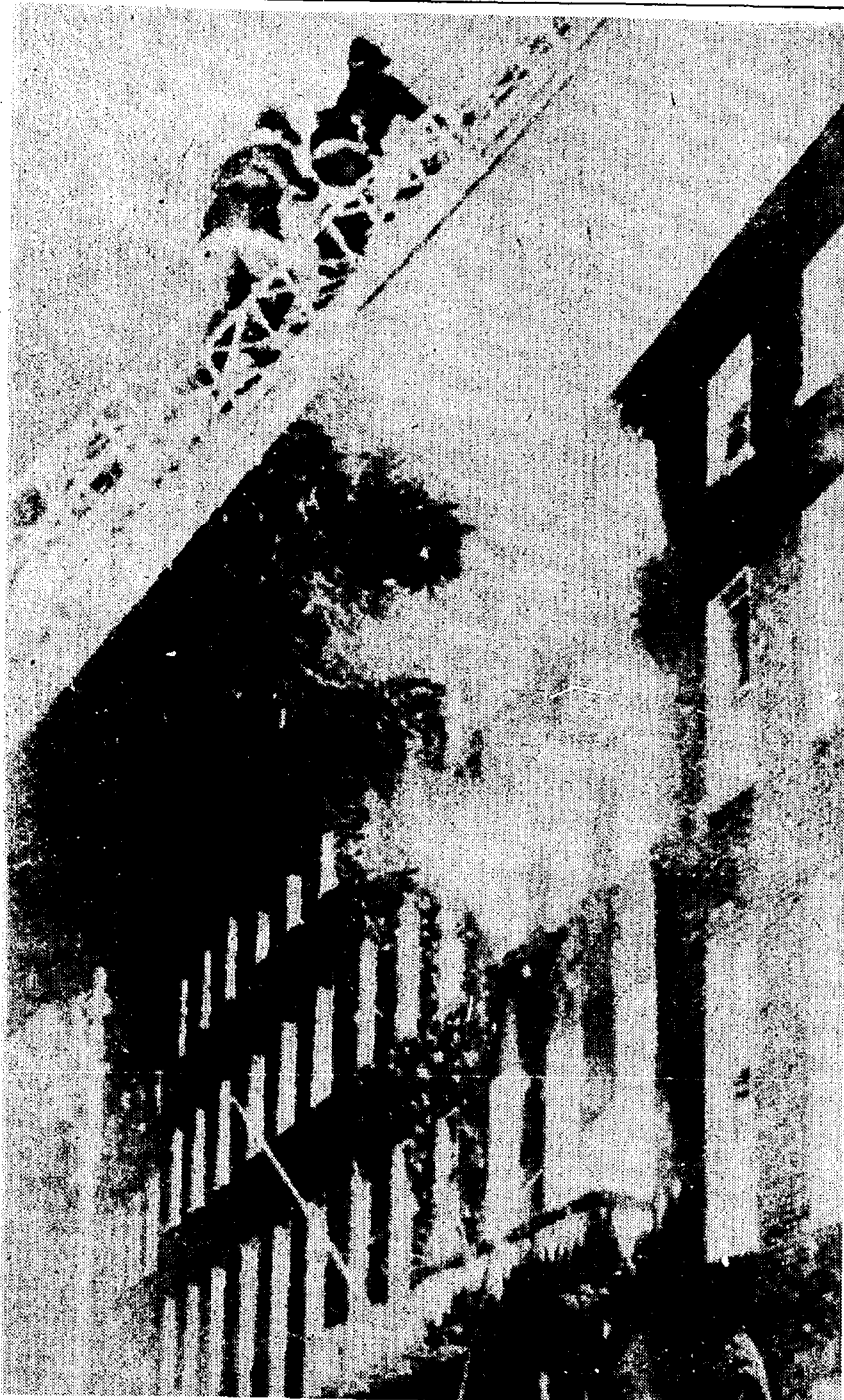
In Northern Ireland, officials called on the Civil Rights Association to cancel a parade scheduled Sunday in Newry and avert the possibility of a repetition of the bloodshed last Sunday. But a member of the association told newsmen, "Next Sunday's march is definitely and irrevocably on," in defiance of a ban on all such demonstrations. The government warned that British troops would break up the march.

One man was killed Wednesday night and five others were seriously injured when a bomb blew up a tavern in Stewartstown, 30 miles west of Belfast. Police said the bomb was placed in front of the saloon, and the people inside were given no warning to get out. A spokesman blamed the blast on the Irish Republican Army, fighting a guerrilla war to oust the British and reunite the

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JUST WATCHING: Firemen on ladder watch the blazing British Embassy in Merrion Square, Dublin, Wednesday. Firemen were prevented from reaching the fire by large crowds of demonstrators who set the building afire in protest against the Sunday shootings in Londonderry. (AP Wirephoto)

## Arizona Scientists Say They Can Tap Energy Of The Sun

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Two Arizona scientists say they believe they have solved a problem whose answer has long eluded man, an efficient way of tapping the boundless cost-free energy of the sun.

With a \$25,000 grant from interested utility companies, Dr. Aden B. Meinel of the University of Arizona and his wife Marjorie are building a device which will focus and trap sunlight.

The sunlight would be converted into heat which would be used to run conventional electrical generating stations.

Such stations now get their heat from nuclear fission or fossil fuels such as coal. The

heat converts water to steam, which turns turbines connected to generators.

"This isn't a new electricity generating system. It's a new fuel source for generators that already exist," Mrs. Meinel told newsmen Wednesday after she and her husband outlined details of their new solar energy converter for American Physical Society members.

The first device, which the Meinels call a "credibility model," is expected to be ready in about three months. It is about the size of a large table.

The heart of the Meinel's converter is a stainless steel pipe on which microscopically

thin films of molybdenum, cesium and magnesium compounds are deposited. They allow sunlight to pass through, but prevent much of the energy it contains from radiating back out.

Special lenses concentrate the sunlight before it strikes the pipe, generating temperatures to 1,000 degrees. A gas or liquid flowing through the pipe carries off the heat for use at the power plant.

The failure of earlier converters to achieve such high temperatures has delayed past plans to convert sunlight into

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## Exotic Character Tells Of New Ploy In Hughes Book

VILLARS-SUR-OLLO, Switzerland (AP) — The fugitive art dealer who is suing Clifford Irving for \$55 million says he is trying to get Irving's "autobiography" of Howard R. Hughes to sell to the billion-are reclus.

"Hughes is willing to pay any amount to have the manuscript and burn it," Fernand Legros said in an interview Wednesday. "We will try to get it and then we will hear from Hughes what he is ready to pay."

Richard Hannah, a public relations spokesman for the Hughes interests, said Legros has contacted Hughes' attorneys but "Mr. Hughes has not offered nor is he willing to pay any such to get the Irving manuscript."

Legros, who claims Irving libeled him in his book "Fake," a 1969 best-seller about an art forger, is trying to get the Hughes manuscript by means of a writ of attachment he obtained in a New York court in

connection with his suit. That means if Legros' lawyer can prove to a court that Irving has assets, they can be seized.

Legros has also demanded that Irving's publisher, the McGraw-Hill Book Co., turn over the manuscript. But Ted Weber, a McGraw-Hill spokesman, said the manuscript belongs to the publisher, not Irving, and "I can tell you nobody's going to get the Hughes manuscript."

Legros said the warrant of attachment was also served on the Swiss Bank Corp. in New York Monday, seeking attachment of the \$422,707 deposited by Mrs. Irving with the bank's Zurich office ear. That money is part of the \$650,000 McGraw-Hill paid Irving for Hughes, and the Swiss government has impounded it on behalf of the publisher.

Legros, 41, says he was born in Egypt, the son of a French official of the Suez Canal administration and a Greek

mother who he says left him a shipping fortune. He says he increased his wealth through business activities while a teenage dancer in the Marquis de Cuevas Ballet.

His income now Legros says, comes mainly from real estate, stock market operations and film productions in Brazil.

Dealing in art is one of his hobbies, he says, and it's that hobby that has made him a fugitive and also is at the basis of his \$55 million libel suit against Irving.

Several years ago an American collector filed a criminal

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## Snow Is Pretty As A Picture

A virtual picture postcard winter, with trees and ground heavily dusted by snow, greeted southwestern Michigan residents this morning.

About two inches fell overnight and another two inches was expected to fall today, according to weather forecasts.

Occasional snow flurries and drifting snow are expected tonight as the temperature drops to lows of 10 to 15.

Gusty winds of 15 to 24 miles an hour are forecast tonight and Friday. The chance of snow Friday is 30 per cent.

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BOMB CAR: This is the wreckage of a car left by Irish Republic Army men outside a shop in the Docks area of Belfast, which stayed open despite the call for a general strike in sympathy for the 13 victims of the Londonderry shootings. The car contained a time-bomb and nearby windows were smashed when it exploded. There were six cars, similarly booby trapped, left in various parts of the city Wednesday. (AP Wirephoto)

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## Editorial Page

W. J. Banyon, Editor and Publisher  
Bert Lindenfeld, Managing Editor

### Check Before Buying That Lot Up North

Land has always been regarded as one of the stabler measures of value in a world where fluctuations in attitudes resemble the tide's ebb and flow.

Possibly because of this inherent attachment, it also is the source of outside frauds.

Early in the 18th century, John Law, a shrewd Scotsman, acquired the development rights to France's possessions in the Louisiana territory. A few years later the French government extended his charter to its holdings in Africa, China and the Indies.

Law's skillful portrayal of Louisiana and the Mississippi river as the source for untold wealth in minerals, furs and sugar planting enabled him to peddle unlimited shares in his Mississippi Company to gullible Parisian investors.

The scheme collapsed three years after Law set the Bourse (the Paris stock exchange) on end. Thousands lost their life savings in what the history books later called the Mississippi Bubble.

In the following century the discovery of gold and silver in the western territories created the salted mine. Prospectors down on their luck planted ore samplings in exhausted deposits. The gullible tenderfoot eagerly parted with his money for a partnership in worthless rock.

Following William Flagler's pushing of some rail lines into the state and the building of a few posh resort hotels, Florida, once World War I was out of the way, blossomed as the "in" locale for sunshine loving vacationers.

This influx stimulated a real estate turnover and construction boom far exceeding any prior experience.

The Florida land boom thudded to a halt in 1925 once more cautious minds began to ask when second and third mortgages on scrub pineland might be paid off.

Liberal intermingled with this speculative madness reminiscent of Law's venture was outright fraud measured in the hundreds of millions. Thousands of people found themselves holding title to lots dominated by alligators or swum over by the ocean's fish.

In recent years Uncle Sam has fallen victim to the practice of overappraising property for FHA financing. Uncle is having to foreclose on mortgages written up for much more than the properties' market value and is finding the promoters going south, in manner of speaking.

The latest scheme, one borrowed from spurious ventures in the southwestern states, is flourishing in the Land of Hiawatha, a tourist and resort association's flowery designation for Northern Michigan.

This lure is being pitched with great success to people in Southern Michi-

gan's more congested regions who are fed up with the frustrations engendered by elbow to elbow living conditions.

A house or a cabin sitting by itself in clean, crisp air, preferably nestled beside a lake or a stream, is the newest "getting away from it all" vision. For many it is a dream stronger than any Sun City imaginable.

The slip between parting with the purchase price and receiving a deed is that many of these promoters do not own what they offer for sale.

There might be an option lying around in somebody's file. The promoter may even have the deed to his tract, but somebody else has a plaster or two on the ground. Or the promoter may hold nothing more tangible than a verbal commitment with the real owners to pick up their land once he has acquired at least a down payment.

Some arrests have been made and others are pending, but restitution is remote.

Two years ago the state agency which licenses and regulates real estate brokers and agents asked the legislature to enact a Blue Sky law on land development.

The bill evaporated in committee, but another is now in the hopper and as the victims' list becomes better known, the chance for plugging this loophole improves.

The situation in its own way is a paradox.

Michigan has an exceedingly stiff set of rules today on subdivisions. A promoter caught here selling out of state fairy tales finds a rough reception from the prosecuting authorities. Real estate agents are held, by law, to strict accountability standards.

The Hiawatha Boom, a good name as any for the current shenanigans, is possible because until the congestion and pollution syndrome developed nobody foresaw the fruitful possibilities in large expanses of untillable Northern Michigan real estate except for resorting purposes.

Beyond his artful play on the congestion and pollution ague, the Boomer exerts business judo against his victim.

Many people are totally ignorant of the best safeguard in buying property, of demanding a current abstract (history) of its title and having a lawyer check the strength or weakness in the chain of title; or if they are aware of the process, their abiding impression is that it costs money.

This title tracing and examination is not exactly cheap, but which is the better bargain, spending an extra hundred bucks to make certain the seller is on the up and up, or letting go of a thousand or more for what may prove to be a pig in a poke?

stitute. The Institute is a private organization which provides research data on subjects of interest to its members, which include the food industry, advertising agencies and periodicals.

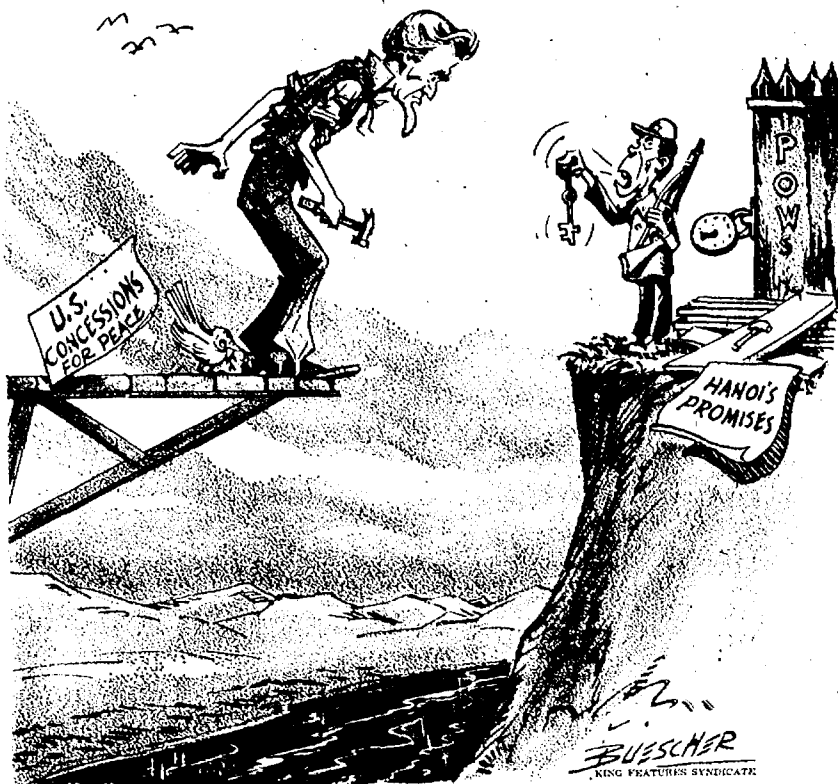
In two separate studies, the Institute found reporting vital information to the consumer had widely varying responses. When nutrient labeling of various foods was practiced, the Institute noted a marked switch to foods with higher contents.

In studies of unit pricing, the Institute found most shoppers paid little attention to the information. In one test, conducted in Toledo, O., the institute interviewed 2,400 shoppers in stores which had converted to unit pricing. Only 65 percent said they had noticed the labels, and only 23.5 percent of these said they had saved money by using the information provided.

When only 15 percent of those interviewed said they thought they saved money through unit pricing, the results indicated something less than overwhelming interest. The Institute found patrons were more interested in such attractions as good meat departments, clean stores, courteous personnel, lower prices and convenient locations.

Comparative pricing is one shopping incentive, but only one among many, and frequently found well down the list of priorities.

### Now Jump!



## GLANCING BACKWARDS

### STEVENSVILLE MAN HAS APOLLO ROLE

1 Year Ago

Apollo 14 astronauts are receiving information on space object traffic — during their moon trip in part — through

efforts of a Stevensville man, Capt. Kenneth E. Schultz.

Schultz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul O. Schultz, 5538 Donald street, Stevensville, assists in computer-oriented accounting of space objects orbiting the

earth, including 456 military and civilian payloads and 1,853 pieces of "junk objects."

### DAY OF PRAYER TO BE HELD

10 Years Ago

One of the oldest movements into prayer and unity will be shared soon by St. Joseph-Benton Harbor United Church women. This is the World Day of Prayer on Friday, March 9, when, as the name implies, Christian women throughout the world will join in a common prayer and offerings to show their concern for all people.

Local observance will be held in the Church of God on Niles avenue, at 1:30 p.m.

### W. H. EHRENBURG CHOSEN PRESIDENT

30 Years Ago

W. H. (Duke) Ehrenburg, operator of the Standard Oil station at Main and Pleasant streets, is the new president of the St. Joseph Retail Merchants association.

### MUSIC INSTRUCTOR

40 Years Ago

Miss Claudine Burns of Toledo, O., has been named as music instructor at the Three Oaks high school. She formerly taught in Bridgman several years.

### CENTURY CLUB

50 Years Ago

The Nineteenth Century club met with Mrs. F. M. Longfellow and Mrs. D. R. Starkweather at the Longfellow home on Niles avenue, observing domestic science day.

### ENTERTAINS

60 Years Ago

Miss Pansy Stevens entertained the girls of the Question club of the Power Farming Press at her home on Market street.

### MOVING PARLOR

80 Years Ago

L. E. Daggett is moving his tansorial parlor to the Lake View hotel.

## EDITOR'S MAILBAG

### PROTESTS DOG TREATMENT

Editor,  
The Herald-Press:

After four years of investigating abuse of children and animals for the Al-Van Humane Society, I wouldn't have believed any indignity suffered by man or beast could surprise me, I was wrong.

We received a complaint from a Bangor woman who had witnessed an unnecessary and gory act. She told of looking across the street and seeing a policeman fire his pistol three times, killing a stray dog. She said the dog's scream and attempt to raise its head made her physically ill. She wondered if this act was legal. I told her I'd check into it.

I phoned Bangor police Chief Roberson to inquire into their local ordinances. Instead of answers I heard a two minute display of temper. I then phoned Bangor's city Attorney who was most helpful in answering my questions. I learned Bangor had an old and very broad city ordinance that Roberson had decided to dust off and use. It means any dog not in his owners yard, whether wearing a license or not, may upon complaint, be shot on the spot anywhere within Bangor's city limits.

This ordinance should have gone out with the horse and buggy. We're living in an age where people are concerned with the effect violence can have on children. If Bangor continues to blast dogs it's academic that children will eventually view and feel the results.

Besides four years with the Humane Society I've been dog warden in South Haven for nearly two years, and believe I'm familiar with both sides of the K-9 problem. Over breeding and irresponsibility of dog owners combined with the lack of enforcement of state dog laws have created a nightmare for citizens and dogs. Yes! Stray dogs should be picked up and when possi-

ble their owners prosecuted.

I've learned most stray dogs aren't vicious. Kind words and food usually mean I can pick them up with ease, and many a time I've even stayed in the car while my nine year old daughter, or sons ten and sixteen coaxed dogs as big as themselves into their station wagon. However when a dog is badly frightened and signals he won't be touched its a job for a cage trap. If he's too wise to enter, then the only sane method of catching him would be the use of a tranquilizer gun.

I'm not suggesting there couldn't be an emergency where a dog should be shot. But I emphatically state such situations are very rare. I've watched hundreds of dogs die from a wide variety of causes and have learned to live with all types of doggie deaths — except one. Time never seems to dim or erase one second of the bloody mental pictures my memory carries of dogs I've seen die from gun shot wounds. No matter how much expertise one may possess in the use of guns, it's seldom a dog can be killed quickly with one shot and even then it's a gory mess, unfit for the eyes of women and children.

Bangor voters could throw their antiquated ordinance back where it belongs, in the dark ages. It could issue summonses to owners who let dogs run, they could ask the county dog warden for a cage trap, their strays could be picked up by the county warden and taken to Paw Paw, where under state law they would have to be held seven days which gives owners a chance to claim them.

In spite of the many alternatives, Bangor's Police Chief has advertised in at least two newspapers that any time they receive a complaint on a dog who's loose, it will be shot and killed. I believe one should try to guard and protect all gentle life on this earth, whether it's human or animal.

Sincerely,  
DIANA AVILES  
South Haven, Mich.

Editor,  
The Herald-Press:

### ALL THIS TO LOVE

God gave us the sun, the moon and the stars,  
And the wonderful sky above.  
The trees, the flowers, the lakes and the streams,  
All this for mankind to love.

The wind, the rain, the snow and the cold,  
And the heat of the sun at noon,  
Now men will destroy these marvelous things  
by getting up to Mars and the moon.

Why not be satisfied with these marvelous things  
That we have here on earth?  
God gave them to us to enjoy  
And forget about exploring Mars and the moon.  
And God's gift to mankind destroy.

GEORGE CARLSON,  
New Buffalo.

### Ray Cromley

## Nixon Attack On Sure Ground



WASHINGTON (NEA) — President Nixon's budget message brings into the open an administration-congressional fight festering here for years: It concerns influence of special interest groups on Congress, the waste this "congressional-special-interests complex" produces, and the resulting higher taxes, inflation and slowdown in vital national priority programs.

Says Mr. Nixon: "Government expenses increase each year because special interest groups, representing only those who stand to benefit from their programs, persuade decision-makers that more resources are needed for those programs without regard to the effect on the total budget. The cost is multiplied by geometric progression when this tactic is repeated for literally hundreds of programs."

This is strong stuff. The President's advisers believe this route is necessary if Mr. Nixon is to get any significant part of his programs through. And if he is to keep Congress in this election year from voting a slew of expensive vote-getting programs that throw his already heavily unbalanced budget into a tailspin that would bring more inflation.

But anyone with experience in politics will recognize that this strong dramatizing of a Congress and special-interest lobbies tieup and its effects on taxes, unemployment, and inequity for ordinary folk is good political material for running for re-election in November.

The political value is especially high since it is almost certain Mr. Nixon's November opponent will be from the Senate. The more Mr. Nixon can tie his opponent, even indirectly, with special interest groups, the more votes the President should win. He thereby discredits his vociferous congressional attackers and defends his own programs. Note then these additional words:

"The administration will vigorously oppose irresponsible, short-sighted spending proposals that would commit large sums of federal money to schemes that are politically attractive but endanger an inflation-free prosperity."

"There will be those who contend that in this budget favorite programs are not financed, or are not financed as they want them to be."

"They will be absolutely right."

In this attack, Mr. Nixon is on sure grounds. For so long as man can remember, many congressional bills have been written to insure some of the funds will go to or be used in a very special interest groups desire.

Each senator and representative must look out for the votes he needs to get himself re-elected. Groups with pressure power get a hearing. Contrary to public opinion these are not always the rich or economically powerful industrial alliances. They may be unions, associations of professional men, such as doctors or lawyers, or non-profit associations of private individuals working for causes they believe to be worthy.

### Jeffrey Hart

## Brinkley Flunks As Historian



In a recent column I called attention to an attempt by NBC commentator David Brinkley to convey the impression that the U.S. is far-gone on militarism, worse even than bad old Prussia. Brinkley had said:

"Germany's old militaristic state of Prussia, whose national obsession was war, was criticized around the world for spending half its income on its military. This country, of its regular tax income, spends a about two-thirds. Somehow that kind of money can be had for weapons, but not for what they are supposed to protect—the people of the United States."

However, Brinkley had distorted the figures for U.S. revenue. In 1971, the percentage spent for defense was 41.2, not "two-thirds." In fiscal 1972, the percentage shrank to 35.7. So, a complete alteration.

The distortions here, however, involve far more than jiggered figures, though the

bogus figures did admirably serve Brinkley's tendentious purposes. I have now received a letter from a knowledgeable reader who sheds a good deal of light on the intellectual shallowness of Brinkley's use of "militaristic" Prussia in that passage.

He points out that the Kingdom of Prussia in the time of Frederick the Great had no real equivalent of our state and local taxation. Prussia was a highly centralized state, and the revenues of the central government were required to meet virtually all the costs of government at every level. A valid comparison, therefore, "should show the ratio of military expenditures to government revenues in Prussia as against the ratio of military expenditure to the total of all Federal, state and local revenues in the United States. Such a comparison would, I am certain, demonstrate that defense constitutes a very much smaller proportion of our governmental expenditures than even the 35.7 per cent figure which you cite."

"Of course, none of the foregoing should imply that Prussia, even spending half her total governmental revenues on her army, was insanely militaristic to do so. A comparatively small state, with no natural frontiers, surrounded by powerful neighbors such as Austria and France, could scarcely have maintained her national existence through the 18th century without such an effort. Even with it, Prussia was thoroughly humiliated, and reduced to vassalage, by Napoleon at the beginning of the 19th century."

Everywhere you touch it, therefore, Brinkley's passage crumbles pitifully. The figures are wrong and, the percentages misleading. The New Left cliché that the U.S. is even more "obsessed" with war than Prussia thus lacks all foundation. Because the U.S. has a diversified tax system and Prussia is and history, merely mulling out of an old Erich von Stroheim movie.



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## Economists See Business Upswing



**WELCOMED:** Thomas Alford, (right) Benton Harbor city librarian, was appointed to the Benton Harbor Area Schools board of education in a special noon meeting Monday, replacing Mrs. Ronald (Nancy) Taylor, who resigned from the post. School Board President Oliver Rector welcomes Alford to the board seat which will expire in June. (Staff photo)

### Outlook Is Good For '72

Jobless Rate,  
Inflation Still  
Worry Experts

By PAUL SHERRINGTON  
Staff Writer

An upward swing in the American economy can be expected in 1972, three economists forecast last night at a conference sponsored by the Twin Cities Area Chamber of Commerce.

Nearly 70 local businessmen attended the meeting at the Benton Harbor Ramada Inn. Moderator for the program was Robert E. Williams, president and general manager of Benton Harbor Engineering and a chamber vice president.

The economists were William J. Powers, corporate economist, Clark Equipment Co.; Paul H. Martzowka, vice president and economist, Manufacturers National bank, Detroit; and John E. Smallwood, director, economic and marketing research, Whirlpool corporation.

Smallwood said 1972 looks like "a darn good year for everybody." He sees the national gross product rising 10 percent, consumer spending to rise 10 percent, housing up 10 percent, retail sales up 9 percent, but consumer prices up 3 1/2 percent.

On a less optimistic note, Smallwood said at the end of 1972, "America would be faced with unemployment levels still above acceptable levels despite an expected slight decrease in present figures; inflation still rapid and accelerating, and wage price controls surprising all of us on how swiftly they become ineffective."

On the whole, Smallwood said, the picture does look brighter. As an example, he cited the fact that in 1972 nearly 25 percent of all families in the country will be earning over \$15,000 per year. In 1947 the figure was 3 percent and in 1968 it was 15 percent.

On the local level, Smallwood expects Twin City retail sales to expand 10 percent if Benton Harbor and St. Joseph continue in their recent relationship to the national average. A rise of 10 percent would boost sales figures to over \$200 million from an estimated \$187 million in 1971.

An increase of about 3,000 jobs in Berrien county can be expected, Smallwood added. Unemployment, he said, would then go down from 5,200 to 4,200.

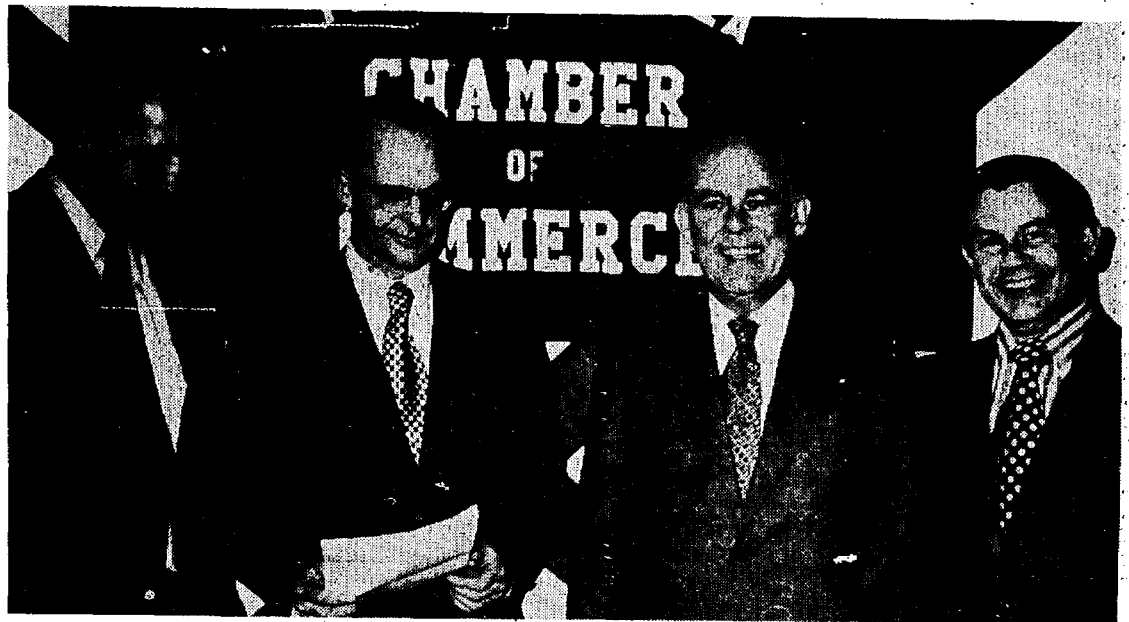
Powers, in discussing incentive to investors in the upcoming year, said he could foresee five plus factors.

These included new tax legislation with 7 percent investment credit increasing cash flow, new regulations such as anti-pollution equipment affecting investment, cost pressures in the economy, increased utilization of available business capacities, and a decrease in money costs with loosening of tight money.

While expressing general optimism, Powers said he feared that a proper investment mix would not be found. Powers said such a mix involves investment in several areas. In the recent past, he noted, much investment has concentrated in an area such as public utilities. A broader base is needed, he said, for a truly successful year in investment.

In his talk, Martzowka said he expects all sectors of the gross national product (GNP) to be relatively strong. "Our assumption for GNP growth is over 9 percent for this year, he added.

He said that high levels in mortgage demand, corporate bond purchasing, and municipal bonds can be expected to continue.



**ROSY FORECAST:** A brighter economic picture for 1972 was forecast by three economists last night at a conference sponsored by the Twin Cities Area Chamber of Commerce. Discussing the out-

look are, from left: Paul H. Martzowka; Robert E. Williams, moderator; William J. Powers; and John E. Smallwood. Conference was held at Ramada Inn, Benton township. (Staff photo)

## BH School Board Again Names Alford

Thomas Alford, 36, director of the Benton Harbor public library, was appointed Wednesday to the Benton Harbor Area schools board of education replacing Mrs. Nancy Taylor who resigned Jan. 22. The other six members of the board voted unanimously to appoint Alford for a term running through June when the seat will be up for election for a two-year term. It is the second time Alford has been named to the board to fill a vacancy. He was

appointed in November, 1971, and served until June, 1971. He decided then not to seek election.

In selecting Alford, the board passed up three persons who applied for the appointment. They were the Rev. C. Wesley Gordon, pastor of Union Memorial AME church; Wilce L. Cooke, a nurse at Mercy hospital; and Mrs. Connie Patterson, housewife and secretary of the Boyton elementary school PTA.

Alford, who resides at 823 Superior street with his wife, Kay, and two children has been a resident of Benton Harbor since moving here from Flint in 1969.

Alford is the only black member of the board of education and the only resident of the city serving on the board.

Upon his appointment Alford said "I will make every attempt to serve my community and our school system to the best of my ability."

## Rauh New National Ad Chief

William H. Rauh has been named national advertising manager of Palladium Publishing Co., it was announced today by James M. Case, advertising manager.

Palladium is publisher of the Twin Cities' sister newspapers, the Benton Harbor News-Palladium and the St. Joseph Herald-Press.

Rauh has charge of all services and sales to national advertisers, including coordination of local and national copy.

He brings 20 years of experience with the local firm to his new position. For 18 years he was a retail sales representative, handling local accounts. For the past two years he has been chief of the advertising dispatch department.

He is 44 years old and a



WILLIAM H. RAUH

native of Benton Harbor. He and his wife Nona and their three children reside at 1859 Smyers drive, Benton Harbor.

**CONSTRUCTION PLANNED** MUSKEGON, Mich. (AP)—Plans for construction of two new manufacturing plants—in Kentucky and Belgium—at a total cost of \$7.7 million were announced today by Sealed Power Corp. of Muskegon.

## Meeting To Focus On Taxes

"Business Challenge - 72", a regional legislative conference highlighting trends in state expenditures and their meaning to the individual businessman will be held Monday noon at the St. Joseph Elk's club.

The session, sponsored by the Michigan State Chamber of Commerce and the Twin Cities Area Chamber of Commerce, will be held during a joint luncheon meeting of the Twin Cities Rotary club and the local chamber.

State Senators Harry DeMaso, chairman, Senate Taxation committee, and Robert VanderLaan, Senate Republican leader, will be featured on the program. Also included is Richard Guregian, director of taxes and diversification, State Tax Evaluation committee, and State Senator Charles Zollar, Benton Harbor.

"We need to examine trends in state and local spending and their meaning to the individual businessman," Harry R. Hall, State Chamber president said. "The State of Michigan is now projecting a possible increase in state expenditures of 100 per cent in only five years.

The meeting is combined with lunch and takes an hour and a half. Persons wishing to attend, other than Rotarians, may contact the Chamber of Commerce office.

## BH Getting All Automatic Long Distance Dialing

Michigan Bell announced today that beginning Monday morning, Feb. 7, most Benton Harbor telephone customers no longer will hear "May I have your number, please?" from the operator when dialing long distance calls.

New automatic telephone equipment will be placed in service which will make note of the number dialed, the length of the call and the number of the calling party—all without the assistance of the operator.

Ray C. Briggs, local Michigan Bell district manager, said the new system, called Automatic Number Identification (ANI), will serve some 15,000 one and two-party customers in the 925, 926 and 927 (WA) exchanges.

"However," Briggs said, "there will be occasions

when at peak calling periods the automatic equipment might be busy. During these periods, the operator will ask the calling party for his number."

Rural and special billing customers will continue to give their numbers to the operator, Briggs said.

The procedure for dialing long distance calls will not change. Telephone users will dial the access code "1," the area code if it is other than 616, and the distant phone number.

Briggs added the changeover will not affect local calling areas or change the rates of the customers involved.

The conversion to ANI, he explained, is another step in providing faster and more convenient service to telephone customers.

## Youth Director Joins Y



TERRENCE BAMBRICK

the father of two boys, aged eight and nine.

Terrence Bambrick, a YMCA executive in Grand Rapids for the past four and a half years, has joined the staff of the Twin Cities area YMCA as metropolitan youth director.

The announcement was made by Lloyd F. Sanborn, local "Y" executive. Sanborn said Bambrick, 33, will serve as head of youth programs at central "Y" on Michigan street, Benton Harbor, and also will head activities at the Benton township branch, 1697 Britain avenue.

Frank Asaltine was youth director at the downtown unit until his resignation last September.

Bambrick most recently has been executive for the Lowell branch of the YMCA in Grand Rapids. Bambrick also served two years as program director of the Duncan North branch, Chicago.

Bambrick is married and

## Tire Blows Out; Smashup Kills Benton Trucker

A 42-year-old Benton township truck driver was killed yesterday morning when a front tire blew out causing the truck to go over an embankment and pin him under the trailer.

Dead was Earl A. Sanders of 1200 East Empire avenue. Calhoun county sheriff's deputies said Sanders was thrown from the cab of the truck and then crushed by the trailer. Deputies said the trailer later caught fire.

The accident occurred east of Marshall on westbound I-94 near 29 Mile road in Sheridan township.

Mr. Sanders, a truck driver for Signal Delivery Service Inc., since 1951, was born March 18, 1929, in Eau Claire. Signal Delivery is a carrier for Whirlpool Corp.

Surviving are a son Earl and a daughter Patricia, of

Alaska; two brothers, Melvin of Eau Claire and Harold of Freeport, La.; and a sister, Mrs. J. Franklin (Geraldine) Lester of Benton Harbor.

Also surviving are his mother and step-father, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Kramer of Lantana, Fla.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday in the Florin funeral home. Dr. Carlos C. Page, pastor of the Peace Temple United Methodist church, will officiate. Burial will be in North Shore Memory Gardens.



EARL A. SANDERS  
Trucker Killed

## Dotty Hinkelman Suffers Coronary In New Orleans

Mrs. Alfred (Dotty) Hinkelman, well-known proprietor of Dotty's Chapeaux, a women's wear store in St. Joseph, is under treatment for a severe coronary attack suffered Monday in New Orleans, La.

Her husband told this newspaper via phone today that her condition is listed as "very critical." She is a patient in the coronary intensive care unit of Southern Baptist General hospital, New Orleans.

Mr. and Mrs. Hinkelman arrived in New Orleans Sunday evening, planning to spend four days before proceeding on to Miami, Fla., to complete a winter vacation. Mrs. Hinkelman fell ill that evening and suffered the coronary attack Monday.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Hinkelman have been prominent in civic and business affairs of the Twin Cities. He is owner of Hinkelman Dental Labora-

tory, Benton Harbor, and a former mayor of Benton Harbor.

Mrs. Hinkelman has been active in Republican party campaigning and a host of civic enterprises. She opened a hat shop on Niles avenue, St. Joseph, several years ago and has since expanded it to include dresses and other women's apparel.

The couple resides at 2618 Niles avenue, St. Joseph.

### FAIRPLAIN

## BH Seniors Serving Pancakes Saturday

The Senior class of Benton Harbor high school will stage a pancake and sausage supper from 5:30 to 9:30 Saturday evening at Fairplain junior high school.

The donation will be \$1.50 for adults and 75 cents for children under 12 years of age.

Darwyn Fair, president of the senior class, said the proceeds from the supper will go to the class treasury to help pay for year-end class activities.

## Reorganization Worries Educators

### SCHOOL MEN FEAR LOSS OF LOCAL CONTROL



By PAUL SIERRINGTON  
Staff Writer

**DOWAGIAC** — Educators from Berrien, Van Buren, and Cass counties Wednesday expressed serious reservations with a state board of education proposal to carve Michigan into 17 regions for planning and funding.

These misgivings were expressed at an opinion-gathering public meeting requested by the state board of education and held at Dowagiac Union high school.

Moderating the program was Paul DeRose, supervisor of reorganization with the state department of education. With DeRose was Dwight Smith, supervisor of language arts with the department.

DeRose said he was present, along with Smith, to "obtain reaction of local school boards and report back to the Michigan board of education."

A prime question of those in attendance was expressed by Lionel Stacey, superintendent of the Lakeshore school system: "Tell us how this program will give more money and help to the children we are serving."

Questions of financing and autonomy within local school systems were repeatedly asked by the concerned educators. They also asked what this additional unit of state educational structure will do to the intermediate districts. Some of the questions were: Does the new program mean more state control? Who will end up paying for projects under the new regional setup? Will administrative costs rise?

These questions were not answered by DeRose, who said he would relay what was discussed and report general impressions received from the meeting to the state board when it convenes.

DeRose said at stake im-

mediately is a plan for development of bases for distributing federal funds available for media centers in prescribed regions. The 17 proposed regions, which bring together intermediate school districts, would be the foundation for distribution of this money.

DeRose said media centers would house filmstrips, tapes, and other audio-visual aids helpful in teaching. The new regions would provide a broader base for distributing these materials, he added.

Intermediate school districts from Berrien, Van Buren, and Cass counties would form one unit in the proposed regional setup.

DeRose said the proposal was not designed to jeopardize the intermediate districts. "The only way an intermediate district could be taken out of existence is by an act of the legislature," DeRose stated.

A statement issued by the state department of education expressed the same theme: "When adopting tentatively the 17 designated areas, board members emphasized the fact that no implications were intended for future reorganization of intermediate school districts. In fact, the board continues to support legislation now pending which provides for the reorganization of intermediate school districts to some number totaling not less than 15 and not more than 25."

Such statements did not seem to soothe the feelings of the majority of area school administrators in attendance.

Twelve of the 33 raised hands when asked how many would prefer to remain in their own intermediate district without regionalization. Some of the same school officials were among those 17 who said they could live with both intermediate districts and regionalization on a three-county basis.

About 10 did not vote on either matter, making percentage determinations impossible to figure. No one, however, raised a hand when asked if they could support regionalization on more than the proposed three-county base in this area.

Elmer Van Dyke, superintendent of the Van Buren intermediate district, said he would "much prefer to have things remain the way they are." Saying there has been no official meeting among Van Buren educators on the matter, Van Dyke said he felt, "we could live with the three-county program if reorganization is definitely here."

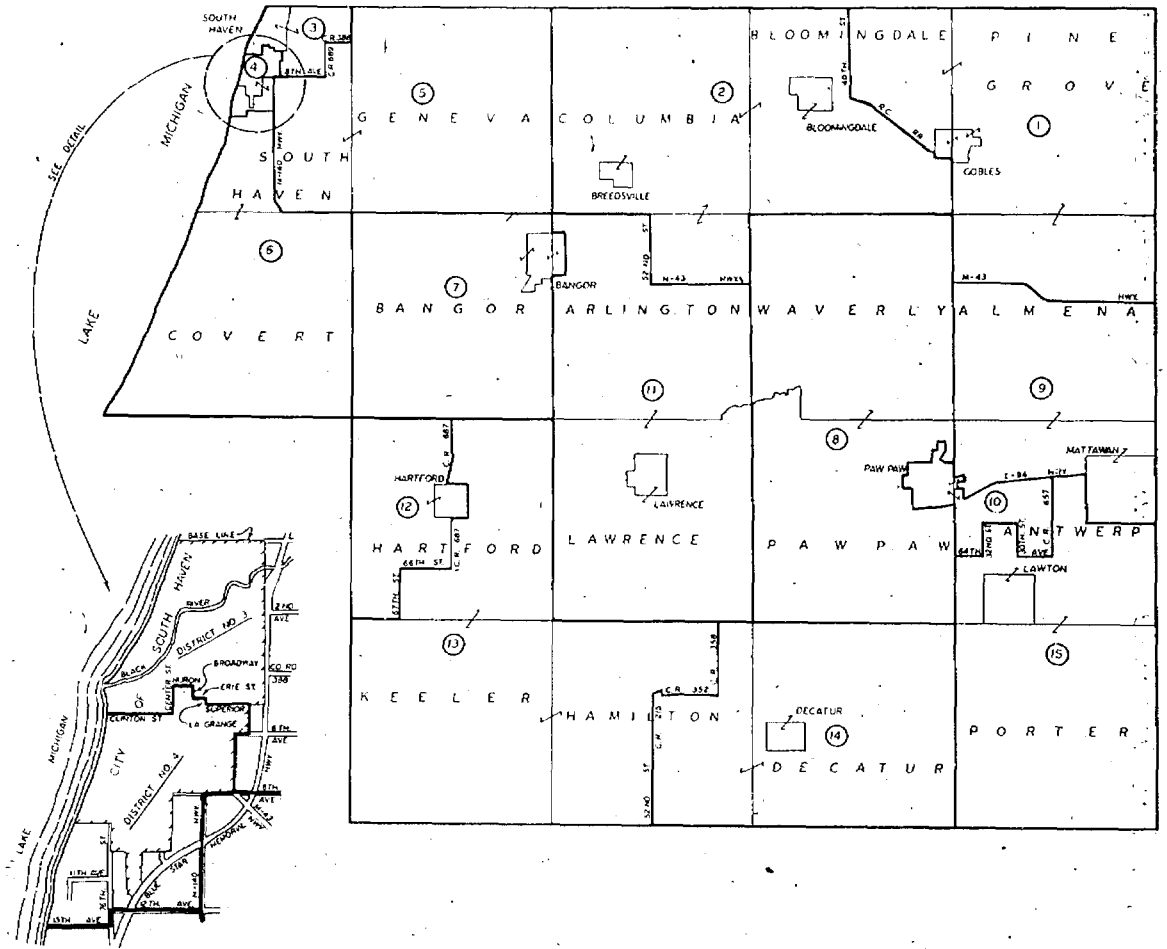
Richard Warren, superintendent of the Niles school system, said "Obviously, the state is moving quickly toward a directing role in the function of education. We are basically concerned to what will happen to local control." He added, "Most of us are willing to work with consolidation. We need to know more of the pros and cons of the matter at hand."

In another comment, Stacey said he also foresaw more

state control. "I am very concerned with the total tone of this proposal... we can only see it moving in one direction," Stacey said he "could support the three-county proposal if regionalization is becoming a reality."

DeRose said present plans call for adoption of the regional program by the state board of education by March 1. The questions raised at the meeting yesterday, the moderator added, would be reported to the board before it makes its final decision.

When several in the audience expressed doubt that the board would listen, DeRose concluded by saying: "There appears to be a credibility gap."



## Apportionment Plan

This map shows a proposal for reapportioning Van Buren county commission districts and is to be reviewed Friday at 2 p.m. at public hearing of county apportionment commission. Hearing is to be held in courthouse in Paw Paw. Under plan, county would continue to have 15 districts. It has been proposed by Gobles Commissioners Gerald Rendel. Individuals as well as officials may submit plans to

apportionment commission for consideration. Areas outlined with heavier lines represent proposed districts. Lighter lines show township boundaries. Districts would range in population size from 3,615 in District 4 (part of South Haven city) to 3,920 in District 14 (Decatur township). Insert in left hand corner of map shows proposed division in South Haven city.

## Hutchinson Pushes For Sisk Bill

**WASHINGTON** — U. S. Congressman Edward Hutchinson, citing the economic problems of southwestern Michigan fruit growers, has urged the leadership of a House of Representatives agricultural subcommittee to take prompt and favorable action on the proposed National Agricultural Marketing and Bargaining act. It is widely known as the Sisk bill.

The proposed legislation would allow farmers to form voluntary cooperative marketing and bargaining associations for the purpose of negotiating contracts with handlers of agricultural products.

Hearings on the legislation, which was sponsored by Congressman B. F. Sisk (D-Calif.), were completed last fall and the measure awaits action by the domestic marketing and consumer relations subcommittee in the House.

The Sisk bill defines standards for recognition of qualified bargaining associations and provides "mutual obligation" for the cooperatives and handlers to "negotiate in good faith" with respect to price and terms of sale of the agricultural products.

Congressman Hutchinson addressed a letter of support for the bill to Rep. Thomas S. Foley (D-Wash.), subcommittee chairman, and to Rep. George A. Goodling (R-Pa.), ranking minority member.

In his letter, Hutchinson pointed out that he introduced "similar legislation" last June which has been referred to the subcommittee.

He said, "Since 1965 or 1966 it has become increasingly apparent to me that the

economic survival of fruit growers in western Michigan might well depend upon their ability to form successful marketing associations, and I have said as much on many occasions."

Hutchinson added, "There have been great changes in the fruit industry in recent years. Much of the old personal relationship which used to obtain between the processor and the grower is fast disappearing. Where in time past a processor would agree to obtain between the processor and the grower is fast disappearing. Where in time past a processor would agree to obtain between the processor and the grower is fast disappearing. Where in time past a processor would agree to obtain between the processor and the grower is fast disappearing."

"As processors have become larger, their processing plants have been organized by labor unions, resulting in higher unit labor costs. At the same time the processors' customers have emerged as a few large grocery chains, with processed food items sharply competing for space on supermarket shelves. The fruit growers, unorganized and without economic clout, have become victims of an economic machinery in which they have little effective input," Hutchinson stated.

### NEW-CHECK SYSTEM

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — The Federal Reserve Board is developing a system that will clear or bounce checks within a day after they are deposited in any participating bank. Then it plans to move on to a system that will eliminate checks altogether.



**ELECTED:** Coloma police Lt. Edward Dill has been elected 1972 president of the Coloma Emergency Ambulance service. Other officers elected are Franklin Quigley, vice president; and Larry Williamson, re-elected secretary-treasurer.

## Bank Burglars Are Sentenced

**GRAND RAPIDS** — Four men were sentenced in U.S. District court Wednesday for attempted bank burglary Dec. 19 at the Fairplain Plaza branch of Farmers and Merchants National bank in suburban Benton Harbor.

The four Chicago men were caught attempting to burglarize the bank by chopping a hole in the roof. They were captured in a police stakeout that was thrown up after the gang was tailed to the Benton Harbor area by Chicago police.

Stiffest sentence was imposed on Elmer J. Crachy, 43, a rooftop burglary specialist who has served time at Jackson prison for breaking



**PROMOTED:** Lt. Carl E. Freeman, 50, has assumed his new duties as assistant commander of the Paw Paw district of the state police. Before being promoted to first lieutenant and assigned to Paw Paw, he was with the field inspection section as state police headquarters in East Lansing.

## Unoccupied Home Burns To Ground

**KEELER** — An unoccupied house on the farm of Mrs. Lucille Richter, Keeler Lake road, burned to the ground last night.

The two-story frame building was engulfed in flames at 10 p.m. when firemen arrived. The house reportedly is used in the summer to house migrants but had been used this winter as storage for mattresses and beds from migrant cabins.

Keeler Fire Chief Robert Hall said the cause had not been determined nor was an estimate of the loss immediately available.

## Two Plead Innocent To Game Violations

Two young men charged in the shooting of a deer in Galien township, Jan. 23, pleaded innocent to the charges in Berrien Fifth District court Tuesday.

John William Lawrick, 19, of 307 LaSalle avenue, Benton Harbor, is charged with willful illegal killing of a deer and Jerry Wayne Turner, 20, of 2826 West Glenford, Stevensville, is charged with unlawful attempt to shoot a deer.

Both men waived a jury trial and were released on \$200 bond each, pending trial by judge.

Conservation officers Walt Mikula and Bill Edwards found the doe near the intersection of Cleveland avenue and Buffalo road.

## Report From Sixth Graders Reading Newspaper Can Be Fun

School children in a four county area, including Berrien, Cass, Van Buren and Allegan, are learning to read a newspaper through visual classroom instruction.

The program, sponsored by this newspaper through Visual Education Consultants (VEC), is being used in over 100 schools in the area.

The course, which is of two weeks duration, impressed the

sixth grade class of Jack Hartsell at Sister Lakes so much that all 24 students wrote Thank You letters to this newspaper.

Pam Besnett wrote, "It (the study) was fun. Before, I never looked at a newspaper, and now that we study it in our reading class, I look at it every night."

"You have so many interesting things in it that

it takes me over 30 minutes to read it. I like the newspaper now. I hope we do some more newspaper study."

Some of the questions asked in the letters were much older than the average 12-year-old thinks about. Such as how news is gathered in such remote parts of the world, why this paper has only Associated Press and not United Press International,

and how much it costs to print one edition of the paper. The comic page is always the favorite of youngsters, but the VEC program has taught students other important parts of the paper.

David Ayers writes, "I always used to just read the comics all the time but now I read other parts of the newspaper." Chris Stambaugh is a comic fan and a regular

reader of Ann Landers. He, too, has now found other things to read.

According to Cathy Foster, "This newspaper study taught us a lot of new vocabulary words and their meanings. We now read a newspaper for facts, fun and pleasure."

VEC furnishes film strips and other materials necessary for the classroom studies. The teacher is then left to form

their own program of study.

The sponsoring newspaper furnishes a paper for each member of the class and for the teacher for a two-week period. This is the 10th year of this newspaper's sponsorship of the program in the four county area.

VEC is a nationwide program that starts in the fifth grade and continues through high school.